## Educational Heart Failure Resources:

The following organizations offer support to heart failure patients and their families:

American Heart Association (AHA) The American Heart Association is the nation's oldest and largest voluntary organization dedicated to fighting heart disease and stroke. Founded by six cardiologists in 1924, our organization now includes more than 22.5 million volunteers and supporters. We fund innovative research, fight for stronger public health policies, and provide critical tools and information to save and improve lives. Our nationwide organization includes 156 local offices and more than 3,000 employees. We moved our national headquarters from New York to Dallas in 1975 to be more centrally located.

<u>Caregiver Action Network</u>: CAN (the National Family Caregivers Association) is a non-profit organization providing education, peer support, and resources to family caregivers across the country free of charge.

<u>Heart Failure Matters</u>: A web site for patients with heart failure, their families and carers developed by the medical education agency Litmus in conjunction with with the Heart Failure Association of the European Cardiology Society (HFA of the ESC).

<u>Heart Failure Online</u>: This site it dedicated to the patient with heart failure. Patients and interested viewers alike will enjoy its simple explanation of complex concepts involved in heart failure.

<u>Mended Hearts</u>: Mended Hearts is the largest peer-to-peer heart patient support network in the world providing education, support and hope to all types of heart patients and their families.

<u>The National Coalition for Women with Heart Disease</u>: This site is the only national, patient-centered organization dedicated to promoting women's heart health through advocacy, community education and patient support.